

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: § Attorney Docket No.: **RPS920000026US1**  
ATKINS ET AL. §  
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Serial No.: **09/651,548** § Examiner: **SHIN, KYUNG H.**  
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Filed: **AUGUST 29, 2000** §  
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Title: **SYSTEM, METHOD AND** § Group Art Unit: **2143**  
**PROGRAM FOR MANAGING A USER**  
**KEY USED TO SIGN A MESSAGE**  
**FOR A DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM** §

**AMENDMENT D UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in answer to the Office Action dated **December 27, 2007**,  
having a shortened statutory period set to expire **March 27, 2008**, extended to **April 27, 2008**.